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FOR: DETECTING GENETIC PREDISPOSITION TO SIGHT THREATENING DIABETIC  
RETINOPATHY

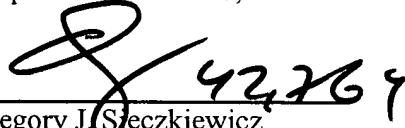
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**STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF COMPUTER READABLE  
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Sir:

I hereby state that the content of the paper and computer readable forms of the Sequence Listing, submitted in the above-identified application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(c) and 1.821(e), respectively, are the same. No new matter is added.

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